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At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.

" 6 " " 4% " "

" 12 " " 5% " "

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Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, \$1,800,000 Dollars.

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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, April 19, 1881.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.

RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

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LONDON, BOULON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLE, BORNEO, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW, MELBOURNE, and SYDNEY.

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The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. SCHWEBLIN, Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 12, 1881.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000 "

Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000 "

Annual Income £ 200,000 "

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Fuzhou, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. LEOPOLD FLEMMING to Sign our Firm at FOOCHOW, per Procuration, from this date.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881. je10

NOTICE.

MR. HERMANN OTTE has been authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, May 18, 1881. je18

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 1st June, 1881, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., at the Premises,

THE VALUABLE AND DESIRABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

Registered as INLAND LOT No. 638, with 25 well-built Substantial MESSUAGES, SHOPS and PREMISES thereon, as the Same is held for the residue of a term of 17 years, ending the 1st July, 1878.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to Messrs BREASTON & WORTON, 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, Solicitors for the Vendors; or to

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer, Queen's Road, Hongkong. je1

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FOR SALE.

GENUINE PORT WINE. M. DE SOUZA GUERDES well-known BRANDS.

Black Label with 3 grapes @ \$18 1/2 case of 1 dozen Quarts.

Black Label with 2 grapes @ \$16 1/2 case of 1 dozen Quarts.

White Label @ \$13 1/2 case of 1 doz. Quarts. Apply to F. J. V. JORGE, at Messrs RUSSELL & Co's, Hongkong, May 18, 1881. je5

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MAY be Had at All the EUROPEAN STORES, and at the N. M. HING LOONG, and TY SIN NG Native Stores.

Price, \$2.25 per dozen Pints.

JOHN D. HUTCHISON, Agent for Hongkong. je10

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"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

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A Short Journey in Szechuan.

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Dr. Huxley's Botanical Notices.

"Finger" Numerals.

The Feast of Lanterns at Padang.

Sinologues and Chinese History.

The Chinese Character "Seven."

Catholic Missions in the East.

A Chinese Old Paraphrase.

Flogging of Criminals.

A Corcan Dictionary.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

Hongkong, May 21, 1881.

FOR SALE.

J. LES MUMM & Co's CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$16 per doz. Case.

Pints, \$17 per doz. Case.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.00.

"COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW."

By E. H. PARKER. Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the China Mail Office, Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

NOW READY.

A COMPLETE REPRINT, in Pamphlet Form, of the proceedings in the Recent LITIGANT CASE of REGINA V. FITMAN, containing the whole of the Proceedings at the Police Court, full report of the trial in Criminal Sessions, with connected Correspondence and comments of the Press. To which is now added a Report of the Case of FITMAN V. KESWICK AND OTHERS.

Price per Copy, 50 Cents. Orders are now being booked. China Mail Office, Hongkong, April 13, 1881.

For Sale.

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE JUST RECEIVED SULLIVAN'S "PIRATES OF PENZANCE."

Boulger's "China," Vol. I. "Board of Trade Instructions for Surveyors of Ships."

Bellows' "Dictionnaire de Pouché." Movable Anatomical ATLAS. Richard on "Indicator."

Donaldson's "Rough Sketching for Engineers." Miss Bird's "Japan," 2 Vols. Shook's "Steam Boilers."

"The Loyal Robin," Japanese Illustrations. "Year Book Facts for 1881." "Hongkong to Himalayas," by Clark. Rosenthal's "Muscles and Nerves."

Lee's "Laws of Shipping," new edition. Froude's "Short Studies." Marshall's "Through America."

Brewer's "Reader's Hand-book." Matheson's "Aid Book to Engineering Enterprises." Hongkong, May 7, 1881.

For Sale.

FOR SALE OR TO BE LET.

THE desirable BUNGALOW, known as "CROONER," at VICTORIA GAR, on Farm Lot 67.

For Particulars, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1881.

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N. O. 2, OLD BAILEY STREET. And, No. 6, PRINCE'S HILL. Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, May 30, 1881.

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Intimations.

THE "FAR EAST." THE ISSUES OF 1878 WANTED. Apply at this OFFICE. Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

Mr. Andrew Wind, NEWS AGENT, &c. 133, NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK; is authorized to receive Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., for the China Mail, Overland China Mail, and China Review.

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Best known remedy for Nervousness, Indigestion, Liver Complaints, and all Functional Derangements; extensively used in the Army and Navy, and highly recommended by the Medical Faculty.

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ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned are now prepared to grant Policies against FIRE on First Class Godowns at 1/2 per cent. nett per annum.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 9, 1881. je6

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Underigned are prepared to accept 1/2 Risks upon First Class Buildings and/or their Contents at 1/2 per cent. nett per annum, and other Insurances at Proportionate Rates. Shareholders are reminded that under Section No. 110 of the Articles of Association the General Managers, with the sanction of the Consulting Committee, are empowered to declare an Annual Bonus amongst such Shareholders as shall have either directly, or through their agency or intervention, contributed business.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Is prepared to ACCEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at 1/2 per cent. per annum, and other Insurances at Proportionate Rates.

Shareholders are reminded that the Directors have the power of distributing a certain proportion of the annual profits annually among such Shareholders as have contributed business to the Company.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and Manila.

A. G. STOKES, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG. CAPITAL, FULLY SUBSCRIBED, \$1,000,000.

Board of Directors. KOH MOON WAH, Esq., Chairman.

BAN HUP, Esq. LEONG ON, Esq. K. Y. KAI, Esq. CHONG PING, Esq.

QUAN HOI CHUNG, Esq. KWOK YIN KAI, Esq., Manager.

WOO LAN YUEN, Esq., Asst. & Secretary.

THE Company grants Policies on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, payable at any of its AGENCIES.

Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are Shareholders or not.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary. HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, Queen's Road West, Hongkong, March 14, 1881. sc14

LE CEROLE—TRANSPORTS.

SOCIETE ANONYME D'ASSURANCES MARITIMES, MARSEILLE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, 15,000,000 Francs. CAPITAL PAID-UP, 3,750,000 "

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1880. 27no81

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) £420,000.00 PERMANENT RESERVE FUND £250,000.00 SPECIAL RESERVE FUND £255,936.17

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd April, 1881, £933,936.17

Directors. F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman. W. M. BOYD, Esq. W. MEYERINK, Esq. J. H. PINKVOSS, Esq. F. D. HITCH, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI. Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH: Messrs BARRING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent, 68 and 69, Cornhill.

Policies granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

Subject to a Charge of 12 1/2 per cent. on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 20, 1881. 10081

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament. ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at Current Rates. RISKS on First Class Godowns Reduced to 1/2 per cent. nett premium per annum from this date.

GILMAN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

Notices to Consignees.

"CLARISSA B. CARVER," FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo of above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 28, 1881.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR AMOY. The Steamship "Emeralda," Captain TALBOT, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 31st Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 28, 1881. my31

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND). The German Steamship "Quinta," THOMSEN, Commander, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Passage, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, May 16, 1881.

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY, VIA FOOCHEW. The Steamship "Galley of Lorne," Captain BRANTHWAITE, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 21, 1881.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship "Anchises," Captain C. JACKSON, will be despatched on or about the

Merchants, calling upon them to refer the matter to their Consuls, and thus on to the Inspector General of Customs at Peking. Of course the document is no delicately vague that it might be taken by itself to be a general public remonstrance only. It, however, calls upon the Foreigners to take steps to redress the grievance complained of; and we cannot but smile over the ingenuity of the process adopted. While amused, however, it is hoped that those concerned will take the opportunity of pointing out officially the iniquity of thus using the Foreigners as sort of convenient buffer, and of accompanying this operation with threats of intimidation as to trade.

The particulars of several approaching land sales are given in the *Gazette*. They are as follows:—

June 5, 4 p.m.; Inland lot, No. 726; Robinson Road; contents 19,600 square feet, annual rent \$12.95; upset price \$1,750.

June 13, 4 p.m.; Inland lot, No. 731; Bowington; contents 11,250 square feet; annual rent \$148.70; upset price \$2,000.

Inland lot, No. 727; Bowington; contents 16,126 square feet; annual rent \$249.27; upset price \$3,000.

Inland lot, No. 729; Bowington; contents 50,000 square feet; annual rent \$813.24; upset price \$10,000.

Inland lot, No. 730; Bowington; contents 37,000 square feet; annual rent \$489.26; upset price \$6,000.

July 18th; Inland lot, No. 771; Queen's Road East; contents 4,800 square feet; annual rent \$74.04; upset price \$1,000.

This "Typhoon Notice" has been published again in the *Gazette*, over the signature of the Harbour Master and under date May 25, 1881.

In the event of bad weather being apprehended by this Department, a black drum will be hoisted at the Office Flagstaff. A similar signal will be hoisted and a gun will be fired from the Police Haul.

The usual signs of approaching bad weather are, a falling Barometer, with high Thermometer, sultriness of the atmosphere, and wildness and discoloration of the clouds. Should these symptoms exist and the wind be anywhere between North-Westerly and North-Easterly, a typhoon of a severe type may be looked for.

If there are the same indications of bad weather, with the wind between South-Easterly and South-Westerly, a typhoon may be known to be in the neighbourhood, but not likely to be severely felt at Hong-kong.

This signal is not to be considered as relieving Masters of ships from their proper responsibilities. The signal is intended only as calling the attention of the Mercantile Marine to any change of weather which the undersigned is expecting.

The British gunboat *Foehow* arrived at Shanghai late on the 21st, from Morrison Island. She reported that H.M.S. *Comus*, *Corcoran*, *Encounter*, *Pegasus*, *Zephyr*, and *Mosquito* sailed from there for Chefoo at 1 p.m. on the 21st instant.

With regard to the Foochow Postal Memorial which was sent to Hongkong to Governor Hennessey, for transmission home, on the 2nd of last month, which memorial we published at the time, the *Herald* now gives the following list of signatories, leaving out a number of private individuals:—

The Oriental Bank, the Chartered Bank, the Bank of India, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and the National Bank, the following 26 firms—Messrs Adamson, Bell & Co., Bathgate & Co., Birley & Co., Butterfield & Swire, John Forster & Co., Gills, Livingston & Co., Gilman & Co., John Gittins & Co., Hodge & Co., Holliday, Wise & Co., W. L. Hunter, Jackson, Matheson & Co., Kow Hong Tak & Co., B. J. Morris & Co., Newman & Co., Ould & Leyburn, Geo. Oliver & Co., Phillips, Phipps & Co., Plunkett, Molchamoff & Co., Purdon & Co., Russell & Co., D. Sassoon Sons & Co., Schofield & Co., Siemens & Co., Tokmakoff, Shervell & Co., and Turner & Co.

Our contemporary is also given to understand that H.B.M. Consul, Mr. Sinclair, has also written to the Postmaster General in London through the Foreign Office.

The tea and exchange reports of the *Foehow Herald*, dated May 19th, is as follows:—

Tea.—Since our last issue, arrivals have come in from the Peking and Panyong districts, and a few contract boxes of the former have already gone forward. Few musters only, however, have yet been shown; about 800 half-chests have also come down the river, all probably from Sanyuan. News was received yesterday of the opening of the market at Kiukiang on the 15th instant.

Exchange.—(Supplied by Messrs Weeks & Fry).—On London, on demand, 3/8 1/2; 4 months' sight, 3/8; Credits and Documents, 4 months' sight, 3/8; On Hongkong, on demand, 1/2 per cent premium. On Shanghai, on demand, 1/2 per cent; Private, 3 days' sight, nominal. On Bombay and Calcutta, on demand, 60 days' sight, Rs. 22 1/2 per \$100.

There is an ancient proverb which impresses upon us that it is only fair play to "give the Devil his due." On that principle we find room for the following memorandum which Mr. Collins, Reuter's agent in Melbourne, sends to the *Melbourne Argus*:—

As an instance of rapid telegraphing, it is perhaps worthy of being noted that the news of the assassination of the Czar was generally known in the Australian colonies several hours before it could appear in print in the English journals. Reuter's telegram containing the announcement was despatched from London at 25 minutes to 8 p.m. on Sunday. It reached the Melbourne Telegraph office at four minutes past 8 a.m. on Monday, thus occupying two hours 49 minutes only in transmission, allowing for the difference of time. It was published or posted outside the offices of the Melbourne papers by a quarter past 10 a.m., equivalent to 26 minutes to 1 a.m. in London. As no paper is published in England on Sunday night, it thus appears that the news was made known in Australia at least four or five hours before it could be read by the public at home.

SALES OF HOUSE PROPERTY AND LAND IN HONGKONG.

We have been favoured with the following supplementary list of properties which have changed hands since our last list, published on the 23rd instant, was completed:—

* One house No. 83, Bonham Strand, (measuring 14 by 100 feet) \$20,000

* One house No. 83, Praya Central, (measuring 14 by 100 feet) 23,000

* One house No. 83, Wing Lok Street, (measuring 14 by 100 feet) 21,800

* One house No. 83, Praya East, and four gardens Praya East, sold \$47,500

* Lots 117, 430, 431—Gudowns on Praya East, sold \$41,600

* Lot 198—A Gudown Praya East, \$42,000

* Lot 145—Gudown Praya East, \$47,500

* Lot 199—Fourteen shops in Queen's Road East, and a block of small houses at St. Francis Street, sold \$17,000

* Block of 48 shops in Queen's Road East known as the Canton Bazaar, (bought a few years ago for \$25,000) sold for \$55,500

* Lot 164—consisting of three shops, Queen's Road Central and 4 shops, Praya East, sold for \$60,000

* Lot 28—consisting of a shop, Praya East and 1st 144 section, 1 shop Bonham Strand, sold for \$42,500

* Lot 77—7 shops, Queen's Road East, sold for \$21,000

* The new Chartered Bank Building, sold for \$66,000

* Correction.—The lot given as "101, 11 houses Bridge Street" on Monday last, "118, 100," should have been described as lot 401.—"Glen-gower" ought to have been printed "Glen-gower."

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SALES OF HOUSE PROPERTY AND LAND IN HONGKONG.

We have been favoured with the following supplementary list of properties which have changed hands since our last list, published on the 23rd instant, was completed:—

* One house No. 83, Bonham Strand, (measuring 14 by 100 feet) \$20,000

* One house No. 83, Praya Central, (measuring 14 by 100 feet) 23,000

* One house No. 83, Wing Lok Street, (measuring 14 by 100 feet) 21,800

* One house No. 83, Praya East, and four gardens Praya East, sold \$47,500

* Lots 117, 430, 431—Gudowns on Praya East, sold \$41,600

* Lot 198—A Gudown Praya East, \$42,000

* Lot 145—Gudown Praya East, \$47,500

* Lot 199—Fourteen shops in Queen's Road East, and a block of small houses at St. Francis Street, sold \$17,000

* Block of 48 shops in Queen's Road East known as the Canton Bazaar, (bought a few years ago for \$25,000) sold for \$55,500

* Lot 164—consisting of three shops, Queen's Road Central and 4 shops, Praya East, sold for \$60,000

* Lot 28—consisting of a shop, Praya East and 1st 144 section, 1 shop Bonham Strand, sold for \$42,500

* Lot 77—7 shops, Queen's Road East, sold for \$21,000

* The new Chartered Bank Building, sold for \$66,000

* Correction.—The lot given as "101, 11 houses Bridge Street" on Monday last, "118, 100," should have been described as lot 401.—"Glen-gower" ought to have been printed "Glen-gower."

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Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The *China Review*, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$5.00 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavors are made to present a record in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the literary department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which through asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the subject in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries as brief and to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a "State." All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and entertaining Review. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China.

It is a pleasure to announce that the *China Review* is now published at the price of the Review. Address: *China Review*, Hongkong,--Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

Trainer's *Oriental Record* contains the following notice of the *China Review*:--"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The project of publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighboring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calecut Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed on the year's work on the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publication as is now provided extremely desirable, and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *She King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honor is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-astropher of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. K. C. Bowring, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to note that the "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of the predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at \$5.00 per annum, delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from San Francisco, San Pedro, Hongkong, Peking, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, consider themselves justified in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description--conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-orientalist in tone--is almost limitless. It is on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest while on the other it deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners. Like English journals it contains Editorials with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements. Subscriptions orders for either of the above may be sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,
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COLONIAL NEWSPAPER & COMMISSION AGENT,
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THE Colonial Press supplied with Newspapers, Books, Types, Ink, Presses, Papers, Correspondence, Letters, and any European Goods on London terms.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Colonial Newspapers received at the office are regularly filed for the inspection of Advertisers and the Public.

Visitors' Column.

We have instituted as an experiment a VISITORS' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with the same, have opened a "SELECT" HISTORY AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.

City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum,--Free.

Public Gardens, a beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.

The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.

General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's throw.

Lasitani Club and Library, Shelley St.

Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.

St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.

St. Peter's Seminary Church, West Point.

St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road, near Kennedy Road.

Temperance Hall, specially adapted for sea-faring men, Queen's Road East.

Sailors' Home, West Point.

E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Marine Square, Queen's Road.

Masonic Hall, Zealand Street.

Victoria Recreation Club--Bath-house and Boat-house, &c.,--Praya, beyond the Cricket Ground, beside the City Hall.

The Barracks and Naval and Military Store Departments lie to the eastward, and cover a large area.

Stores, Books, &c.

General Outfitter, Hosier, Tailor, &c.,--T. N. DRY-COLL, 45 and 47, Queen's Road, by special appointment to H.B. the Governor.

Chromometers, Watches, Jewellery, Maps and Charts,--G. FALCONER & CO., Queen's Road Central.

American and English Stores, Books, and specially selected Goods,--MAC-EWEN, FRICKEL & CO.

Chair and Out Hire

UNLADDERED TARIFF OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pulling Boats.

Half hour, ... 10 cts. 1 hour, ... 20 cts. Three hours, ... 50 cts. 5 hours, ... 75 cts. Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

To VICTORIA PEAK.

Single Trip.

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00 Three Coolies,85 Two Coolies,70

Return (direct or by Pak-foo-ham).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.50 Three Coolies, ... 1.20 Two Coolies, ... 1.00

To VICTORIA GAP (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA PEAK).

Single Trip.

Four Coolies, ... \$0.60 Three Coolies,50 Two Coolies,40

Return (direct or by Pak-foo-ham).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00 Three Coolies,85 Two Coolies,70

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.

Day Trip Peak, ... \$0.75 each Coolie. (12 hours) 1 Day, ... \$0.60 each Coolie.

Private Bearers (each).

Hour, ... 10 cts. Half day, ... 30 cts. Day, ... 50 cts.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Day, ... \$1.00

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load,75

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day,25

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Load,17

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 800 piculs, per Day, ... 1.50

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 800 piculs, per Load, ... 1.00

4th Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 800 piculs, Half Day,50

5th Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 800 piculs, Half Day,50

6th Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 800 piculs, Half Day,50

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Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised December 1st, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets or any other matter, if inserted together as one paper, may be sent at Book Rate. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on these is the weight of the paper, but whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 6 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Receipt on paying an extra fee of 6 cents. The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches. N. B. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise those foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Chili, V. Nazareth, the Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, with all British, French, Dutch, and Portuguese islands, Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.--The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route.

Letters, 10 cents per 4 oz. Post Cards, 8 cents each. Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 10 cents each. Commercial Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected or correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom.

Letters, 10. Insurance, None. Newspapers, 25. Books & Patterns, 50.

West Indies (Non-Union), Bolivia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay.

Letters, 50. Registration, 50. Newspapers, 50. Books & Patterns, 50.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape St. Helena, and Ascension, via Aden Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

A small extra charge is made on delivery.

There is Registration to British W. India Islands, 10 cents.

Registration to San Francisco, 10 cents.

Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, (through a British or Chinese post office), viz: Hong Kong, Canton, and Macao, 10 cents; Hong Kong, Canton, and Macao, 10 cents; Hong Kong, Canton, and Macao, 10 cents.

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Local Parcel Post.

Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Peking, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 6 lbs. The postage is 20 cents per lb., which includes registration, except for Japan, to which country parcels are forwarded at Book Rates Registry being optional. The parcels may be shipped direct if they bear the special endorsement, *Parcel Post*, on the wrapper, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, (a) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, &c. Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail, subject to the Post Office reserving the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to parcels sent by the system of registration, but a very remote probability of loss.

The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for postage if it contains gold, silver, money, jewels, precious stones, or anything that is a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. The Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of d-dable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:--

Books and Papers--to British (10 lbs.; to the Continent, 4 lbs.)

Patterns--to British Offices (5 lbs. if without intrinsic value); to the Continent, 4 lbs., 8 oz.

Penalty for the Loss of a Registered Letter.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:--

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred while the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal Administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, or by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, or extremely bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1. Money Orders are exchanged with the United Kingdom, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, and Port Darwin, the Straits Settlements, Western Australia, and (except at Shanghai) with the Japanese Empire. Hongkong also issues orders on Shanghai, and vice versa.

2. Mail money may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps, subject to a charge of one per cent for cashing them.

3. Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in